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CCSO deputies make drug-related arrests

Deputies with the Coffee County Sheriff's Office made three arrests between Thursday, Nov. 17, and Monday, Nov. 21, that included possession of a controlled substance.

Early Thursday morning, Nov. 17, two female subjects were booked into the Coffee County Jail just prior to 2 a.m. on multiple charges.

Alisha Watson, age 41, of Glenwood, Ala., was arrested by Coffee County deputies on the charges of D.U.I. (controlled substances), possession of a controlled substance, and possession of marijuana - second degree. Her bonds totaled \$8,500 [\$1,000 for the DUI charge, \$5,000 for the possession of a controlled substance charge, and \$2,500 for the possession of marijuana charge.

Watson was later released from the county jail on bond. Also, just shy of 2 a.m. last Thursday morning,

Jessica Bailey, age 42, of Elba, was booked into the Coffee County Jail on drug charges. Deputies charged Bailey with possession of a controlled substance [\$ 15,000 bond], possession of marijuana - second degree [\$7,500 bond], and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia [\$7,500 bond]. Following her arrest, Bailey also was charged with three counts of bond revocation.

As of press time this week, she remained in the Coffee County Jail. On Monday, Nov. 21, at 11:20 a.m., Dave Wilks, age 67, of Kinston, Ala., was booked into the Coffee County Jail after deputies arrested him for possession of a controlled substance.

Wilks' bond was set at \$30,000, and he remained in the jail at press time.



Bailey



Wilks



ELBA FD RESPONDS TO STRUCTURE FIRE...The Elba Volunteer Fire Department responded Saturday morning, Nov. 19, to a structure fire at 1546 Gray Street. As shown above, the structure, an 'unoccupied' home, was a total loss. No further details were available on this incident.

Despite 33rd place finish at Nov. 12th fishing tournament

ZC's Avery Padgett and Ethan Young win Freedom Marine prize money

Goose Pond, Scottsboro, Ala., hosted the launch site and weigh-in Saturday, Nov. 12, for the Zion Chapel Bass Team's first tournament of the season on the Alabama BASS Nation, Tiger Trail Division schedule.

This was only the second time the ZCBT has fished this lake. Quoting Mike Carter, ALABAMA OUTDOOR NEWS, Lake Gunterville is always on everybody's list of top bass lakes in the country.

The lake runs 75 miles on the Tennessee River, from

near the Tennessee state line to the town of Gunterville. Its miles of shallow flats are filled with grass, and the water is very fertile, which makes it the perfect bass factory, producing fat largemouth with some small mouth and spots present too.

Zion Chapel's Team Avery Padgett/Ethan Young, with their captain Taylor Renfro, endured some wet, breezy and cold weather. Out of 120 teams, Padgett/Young finished 33rd with two fish weighing 4.98 pounds. Not the weight they hoped for, but on the other hand, it was a commendable showing considering 50 boats out of 120 teams did not weigh in; it was a tough day for many of the anglers.

Team Padgett/Young was able to capture the Freedom Marine Center Contingency money. This was the team's sixth win for a total of \$6,000.



The Zion Chapel fishing duo of Avery Padgett (second from right) and Ethan Young (left) claimed their sixth win for the Freedom Marine Center Contingency Money in the amount of \$1,000 during a fishing tourney held Saturday, Nov. 12th. They are pictured above accepting the prize money check.

Following this tournament, the ZCBT will return to Lake Eufaula for their final tournament on the Wiregrass Student Angler Trail.

Currently they are in sixth place in the Angler of the Year standings on this trail. They have hopes of stepping up their rank.

Elba BOE meets for regular monthly meeting

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Elba Board of Education met Tuesday evening, Nov. 15, for the regular monthly meeting, and board vice president Johnny Senn presided in the absence of board president Greg Sowell.

Upon the recommendation of superintendent Chris

Moseley, the board voted to approve the scrapping of some old lunchroom equipment from both the elementary and high schools. Moseley said this equipment was quite old, and the schools have no use for it any longer since new equipment had been purchased. The new lunchroom equipment for the schools was

purchased with use of grant funds.

Regarding personnel, the board approved the resignation of Child Nutrition Program [CNP] employee Jamaica Davis, effective Nov. 18, 2022. The next personnel approval by the board was to hire Diane Boswell as a CNP employee. Moseley said all paperwork was in place for each of the personnel matters board members were asked to approve.

Board members also approved the monthly financial statement during the meeting.

The superintendent said the schools would be closed the week of Nov. 21 - 25 for the Thanksgiving holiday. Unless a need arises, the board discussed potentially not meeting during the month of December.

Reminder

The Elba Clipper office will be closed Thursday, Nov. 24, and Friday, Nov. 25, in observance of Thanksgiving. Happy Thanksgiving!

Area Happenings

THE CITY OF ELBA OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED Thursday, Nov. 24, and Friday, Nov. 25, in observance of Thanksgiving. Any emergency with utilities during this time should be reported by calling the Elba Police Department at (334) 897-2555. Garbage pickup will run on the normal schedule during this time.

THE TOWN OF NEW BROCKTON OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED Thursday, Nov. 24, and Friday, Nov. 25, in observance of Thanksgiving.

THE NEW BROCKTON CHRISTMAS PARADE will be Saturday, Dec. 3, at 11 a.m.

THE ELBA CHRISTMAS PARADE, sponsored by the Elba Chamber of Commerce, will be Monday, Dec. 5, at 6 p.m. The theme for this year's parade is "Once Upon a Time..." Contact the Elba Chamber of Commerce at (334) 897-3125 for more information or to enter the parade.



MURPHY SPEAKS ON COLONIAL GAMES...National Society Daughters of the American Revolution John Coffee Chapter member Claire Murphy (seated second from right) spoke recently to DAR members regarding "Games Played During Colonial Times." Murphy brought a massive collection of games that were played in colonial times that were made out of resources available at that time - games carved from wood, bones; made from vines and branches of trees; cornhusks; clothespins and string. Many names we recognized, but they were often played differently than now - cup and ball, yo-yo, jacks, dice, pick-up sticks, checkers, chess, marbles and dominoes. Each attendee was given a "Cat's Cradle" game. Those pictured above include (from left): Cathy Young, Hilda Allen, Martha Abernathy, Elizabeth Vickers, Anne Couturier, Claire Murphy, Regent Jacque Hawkins and Nell Gilmer. For more information about becoming a member of DAR, contact John Coffee DAR Registrar Shirley Skinner, 334-301-6063 or shirley_skinner@hotmail.com.

Elba Chamber location discussed at city council work session

by Linda Hodge, Editor

During a work session held Monday, Nov. 14, members of the Elba City Council discussed with leaders from the Elba Chamber of Commerce additional options for housing the next Chamber office.

The city had been looking at renovating a portion of a building [old dime store] on Davis Street in downtown Elba to locate the Elba Chamber of Commerce office; however, during a recent bid opening for the 'Save Room for Safety' this Thanksgiving

renovations, no bids were received for the project. Since that time, Mayor Tom Maddox said the city had been made an offer to potentially purchase a structure on Claxton Avenue, which currently houses the Lake Realty offices.

Maddox brought this new proposal to the council's attention during the work session. He said he and some of the chamber leaders had recently toured the Lake Realty building to see if it would meet the needs for a new Chamber

of Commerce office in Elba. Sandy Williams, executive director of the Elba Chamber of Commerce, was in attendance for the work session, and when asked her opinion, she said, "ultimately, the decision of where the chamber office will be located belongs to the city council since our contract for services notes the city will provide our office space."

However, Williams said

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ALEA Highway Patrol unit encourages to not drive distracted

This holiday season, travel experts are predicting over 54 million Americans will travel at least 50 or more miles from home during the 2022 Thanksgiving holiday travel period.

To continue the Agency's holiday tradition of ensuring public safety, Troopers within the Alabama Law

Enforcement Agency's (ALEA) Highway Patrol Division have prepared once more for a high volume of traffic on Alabama's roadways, with the national average expected to exceed travel numbers in 2021. Based upon these predictions and the increases recorded post-pandemic, emphasis has been placed on among the state's busiest corridors and areas that have historically resulted in a higher number of crashes.

"Fortunately, we have recorded an overall decrease in traffic related fatalities on Alabama's roadways since 2019 when tragically 11 lives were lost during

that busy Thanksgiving holiday period." ALEA Secretary Hal Taylor said. "We want to ensure this trend continues and we encourage everyone to 'save room for safety' this holiday season by preparing your vehicle before your trip, leaving in plenty of time and avoiding risky driving behaviors such as following too closely, speeding and distracted driving."

This year, the official Thanksgiving Holiday travel period begins at 12:01

a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 23, and ends at midnight Sunday, Nov. 27. The Agency fully recognizes and prepares for the many Alabamians that begin and complete their holiday travel outside these periods, which is why ALEA Troopers will be proactively patrolling the entire state before and after the busy Thanksgiving holiday.

"Our Troopers in the Highway Patrol Division have worked diligently to reduce crashes and traffic fatalities across the state through a variety of high-visibility enforcement details. We also continue to concentrate our efforts on educating the public relative to dangerous driving behaviors such as distracted driving," said ALEA's Director of the Department Public Safety (DPS) Colonel Jimmy Helms.

There are a variety of activities that can distract drivers such as eating or drinking, talking with passengers inside your vehicle, however, none are more alarming

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BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

"One kind word can warm three winter months." - Japanese Proverb

Alabama's unemployment rate stands at 2.7 percent at the end of October. That is good, but a fraction higher than in September. In spite of a jump in unemployment, state numbers show there is a bunch more at work than the month before. Governor Ivey said recently that Alabama has more people working now than ever in the state's history! That is good for workers but not so good for companies trying to hire more qualified workers.

Alabama prison officials botched a second execution last Thursday night when they couldn't find a suitable vein to inject the lethal drugs. It is puzzling that this continues to happen. Prison officials have been quoted as saying "they didn't have enough time." Well last month we had blood drawn during a routine physical and golly the nurse wrapped a band around our arm, dabbed a spot with alcohol, and one pop and the needle was in our blood vein. In the prison case they can skip the alcohol, as the threat of infection is a non-issue.

School grades in a recent State Board of Education report show Elba got a 'C' 75 overall; another page of the report was not so good. Elba High School got a 'D' 68 and the Elementary School got a 'C' at 71. We could blame the pandemic, but . . . every school in the state experienced the same pandemic! Now, if we knew an answer to these lower-than-desired-grades, we would be at the schoolhouse solving the problem(s) and not downtown writing a newspaper column. However, something is coming up short and our suggestion is for the entire community to get involved and get things improved for the good of our children.

Hunter Biden, son of President Joe Biden, has been under fire for several years for alleged business dealings that - 'don't stand the light of day'. There is enough fire and smoke around Hunter for us to believe some, or maybe all, of it is true. Having said that, we are also alarmed that following the recent federal elections where the Republicans won control of the House, their agenda is apparently revenge as the only things we hear them promise to do is investigate Hunter Biden, investigate Joe Biden, Biden's lock down orders during the pandemic, the FBI raid on Donald Trump's home, and indicate they are not planning to push investigations of the secret papers being in found in Trump's possession. Nothing in their exciting plans deal with America's real problems - like climate control, inflation, hunger, housing, etc.

The Elba High football team was defeated in the second round of the state playoffs, and Brantley and Enterprise have gotten the boot from the championship race. That counts all our area teams out of the 'last man standing' championships. Anyone who has ever played a competitive sport will have no problems admiring and commending the members of all the school sports teams, winning or not!

It is our hope that each of readers, and their families, will have a joyful Thanksgiving Day. Let us add "Be Grateful."

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EDITORIAL

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, between Tuesday, Nov 15, 2022, and Sunday, Nov. 20, 2022, conducted the following activity:

Tuesday, Nov. 15 - Theft of property reported at 1033 Morrow Ave (8:32 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 4356 County Rd 460, Samson (12:19 p.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1188 Oak Ave (3:24 p.m.); Animal complaint reported on Hwy 189 (8:42 p.m.); Drug activity reported at the bridge on

Davis St (9:42 p.m.). Seven traffic stops resulted in two verbal warnings, four written warnings, and one arrest.

Wednesday, Nov. 16 - Suspicious vehicle reported at 252 Larkin Rd (7:21 p.m.). Five traffic stops resulted in three written warnings, and two verbal warnings.

Thursday, Nov. 17 - Suspicious vehicle reported at 712 Troy Hwy (10:23 p.m.); Criminal mischief reported at 329 Solie Dr

(11:11 p.m.). Eleven traffic stops resulted in two arrests, four verbal warnings, two written warnings, and three citations.

Friday, Nov. 18 - Suspicious circumstances reported at 610 Kendrick St (1:03 a.m.); Trespassing reported at 1225 Martin Luther King Dr (12:13 p.m.); Harassment reported at 1243 Farris Ave (1:21 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 1297 Ann St (9:46 p.m.); Reckless driver reported on Hwy 84 - an arrest was made (10:47 p.m.). Eight traffic stops resulted in four verbal warnings, two written warnings, one citation, and one arrest.

Saturday, Nov. 19 - Criminal mischief reported at 994 Sunset Blvd (1:48 a.m.); Structure fire reported at 1546 Gray St (6:34 a.m.); Traffic accident reported at 1085 Neil Grantham Dr (9:19 a.m.); Civil complaint reported at 2205 County Rd 249 (10:29 a.m.); Suspicious person reported on E Davis St - verbal warning issued (8:15 p.m.). Seven traffic stops resulted in five verbal warnings, one citation, and one arrest.

Sunday, Nov. 20 - Harassment reported at 1241 Farris Ave (6:59 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 529 N Claxton Ave (11:13 p.m.). Two traffic stops resulted in one written warning, and one verbal warning.

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Cuzin Lou Lou's
Tales from Yonder
Editor's Note: Cuzin Lou Lou's tales are to be enjoyed as a light-hearted form of Southern expression

Cuzin Lou Lou and Sister set out on one of their 'spur of the moment' overnight trips last weekend. Looking at the direction of their trav-

el, Lou Lou realized it would be convenient to visit a location she had been talking about for quite some time... the Conecuh Sausage gift shop/store in Evergreen, Ala! The stop was made last Saturday morning as Lou Lou and Sister made their way home. Upon arriving in the parking lot, Lou Lou's excitement grew even larger when Sister pointed out the facility's "photo op" area with a Conecuh pig and grill. There also was a giant sign that read, "Grill Out with Conecuh Sausage."

"Oh yeah!" was Lou Lou's reaction to the setting. "I am definitely getting my picture with the pig before we leave!"

Things got even better when Lou Lou and Sister made it inside the store! They had an 'eat now' food area!

After making a couple of rounds around the store, Lou Lou and Sister gathered several items for purchase, including 4 lbs of Conecuh sausage to take home. Then, they made their way over to the ready-to-eat food...several minutes later, each had a sausage dog in hand, along with a sampling of BACON-WRAPPED sausage!!

As a very happy Lou Lou and Sister exited the store, Lou Lou already was talking about a return trip to buy more goodies, while Sister was hoping Lou Lou had forgotten about the photo with the pig...She had not forgotten! Another group was taking advantage of the photo setting when Lou Lou and Sister made it outside, and Sister asked if Lou Lou just wanted to skip it...NO WAY! Instead, Lou Lou asked the sweet ladies if they needed her to take their picture for them!

They took Lou Lou up on her offer and returned the favor by offering to do the same for Lou Lou and Sister. Sister had not planned on having her picture taken with the Conecuh pig, but she did agree to it.

It may have been a spur of the moment trip with an unexpected stop, but it was loads of fun...even if Sister will never admit to enjoying having her photo taken with a 'pig grilling sausage.' One never knows what to expect when traveling with Lou Lou!

Until next time...God Bless, Keep Smiling, and HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

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NEW MEMBER INITIATED...The Elba Masonic Lodge #170 held a special called meeting last week to initiate the organization's newest member, Charles Randal (Randy) Hawthorne. Those present included: [front, left to right] Matt Brunson, Mike Amison, Joe Daugherty, Charles Randal (Randy) Hawthorne, Wendell Black, Howard Oliver, Drexell Richards, Jack Caradine, and Neil Henderson; [back row, l to r] Dale Stewart, Jerome Blackmon, Ethen Dodd, PGM Tommy Morrow, Chris Kelley, Joel Moore, and Allan Crenshaw.

CCSS career and technical education program designed to empower students

The Coffee County Career and Technical Education program is designed to empower students to meet the daily challenges of the 21st century with the work-readiness skills needed for success. This program provides a curriculum where-in students are actively engaged in learning through career-oriented activities.

The Coffee County School System offers career and technical education programs at Kinston School, New Brockton High School, and Zion Chapel School. These programs are designed to prepare youth for a broad range of employment and further education and are offered under the guidance of certified teachers.

The following career clusters and programs are offered in the Coffee County Schools' Career and Technical Education curriculum:

- Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources
- Business Management and Administration, and Dual Enrollment Program (in partnership with Lurleen B. Wallace Community College and Enterprise State Community College).
- Students interested in career and technical education programs should contact their high school counselor. For general information about these programs contact:

Gray Harrison, Special Programs Coordinator, Coffee County Board of Education, 400 Reddoch Hill Road, Elba, Alabama 36323; Telephone: 334-897-5016/Fax 334-897-6207; Email: harrisong@coffeecountv.k12.al.us

All career and technical education programs follow the system's policies of nondiscrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age in its programs and activities and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups.

The following persons have been designated to handle inquiries regarding non-discrimination policies:

- Kelly Cobb, Superintendent, Coffee County Board of Education, 400 Reddoch Hill Road, Elba, Alabama 36323; Telephone: 334-897-5016/Fax 334-897-6207; E-mail: al.us
- Tami Crosby, Special Education/504/Title IX/ADA Coordinator, Coffee County Board of Education, 400 Reddoch Hill Road, Elba, Alabama 36323; Telephone: 334-897-5016/Fax 334-897-6207; Email: crosbyt@coffeecountv.k12.al.us

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Many families these days are going beyond the standard military burial for their honored Veteran and are creating lovely and lasting memorials that commemorate their service and their lives. Funeral homes and cemeteries often have special areas for Veterans and family members and are always happy to discuss personalized burial and commemoration plans, especially if there is plenty of time to plan ahead.

If you would like a free funeral decisions guide, please email me at
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Obituaries

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MARY MARGARETE DREWERY

Ms. Mary Margaret Drewery, age 87, of Elba, Ala., died Thursday, Nov. 17, 2022, at Eden At Crestview in Crestview, Fla.

Funeral services were held Monday, Nov. 21, 2022, from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba with Rev. Dwight Johnson officiating. Burial services followed in the Hillcrest Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Elba.

Survivors include her son: Mark Timothy (Brenda) Drewery, Crestview, Fla.; granddaughter: Tabatha R Strickland, Fort Myers, Fla.; great-grandson: Ethan L. Strickland, Seattle, Wash.; great-granddaughter: Elissa R Strickland, Crestview; and brother: Sam Jones Jr., Joplin, Mo.

EDDIE ENGRAM JR.

Mr. Eddie Engram, age 56, of Elba, Ala., died Wednesday, Nov. 9, 2022.

He was born July 31, 1966 to Cynthia Diann White and Eddie

Lewis Engram Sr.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Nov. 15, 2022, from the Chapel of Coleman Funeral Home in Elba with Rev. Brian Brunson officiating. Burial followed in Evergreen Cemetery with Coleman Funeral Home directing.

Eddie was preceded in death by his father, Eddie Lewis Engram Sr.; brother, Nicholas Jackson; a special nephew, Akeem Blake; and an uncle, B.B. Engram.

Survivors include his wife: Pennie Engram; mother: Cynthia Diann White; mother-in-law: Laquina Caldwell; sisters: Latasha White, Karen Russ (Buster); step-sister: Angela Jackson; brothers: Curtis White, Marco Donald, Johnny Engram, Travis Jackson, Willie Goshaw, Timothy Stinson, Quavon Engram; children: Angel Whitfield (Nick), Tarsha Brunson (Clarence), Brian Brunson (Tanisha); grandchildren: JacQuetta, Ajaspin (Hank), Maysia (Trey), Octavius, MarQuavius (Cambry), Iverson (Ashton), Kimorion; seven great-grandchildren (with another on the way); along with a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and other relatives.



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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ESTELLA HOOKS Deceased,

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION CASE NO. PC-22-076

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED
Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 15th day of November, 2022, by the Hon. Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Clifton Hooks
Personal Representative
11/17,24&12/1-pd

Blankenship Contracting, Inc. gives notice of completion of the City of Elba Sewer Improvements Funded by USDA Rural Development in Elba, Alabama. All persons and firms having claims against this project should file same with the project Engineer before December 1, 2022. CDG Engineers & Associates, Inc., 1962 West Main Street, Dothan, Alabama 36301, 334-677-9431.

11/10,17,24&12-1-chg

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF PAUL HARRISON, a protected person.

CASE NO.: PC-2018-014

NOTICE OF HEARING
Notice is hereby given that a Petition for Final Settlement has been filed by Mary Beth Henderson, as Conservator of the above estate, and that the 13th day of December, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. was appointed a day for the hearing of same at the Coffee County Courthouse, Elba Division, Elba, Alabama. Done this the 3rd day of November, 2022.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
Hon. Jodee R. Thompson
Judge of Probate
Coffee County, Alabama

11/10,17&24-chg.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF CYNTHIA JOYCE BOUTWELL REEVES, DECEASED

CASE NO: PC-2022-073

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary were granted on 10th day of November,

2022, to Amanda Joyce Reeves, as Executrix of the Estate of Cynthia Joyce Boutwell Reeves, deceased, who departed this life on the 14th day of October, 2022, by the Hon. Jodee Rowe Thompson, Judge of Probate. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred. /s/ Amanda Joyce Reeves, Amanda Joyce Reeves, Executrix of the Estate of Cynthia Joyce Boutwell Reeves, Deceased

11/17,24&12/1-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF HUEY WAYNE ALLEN, Deceased.

CASE NO. PC 2022-074

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to Gary Allen, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Huey Wayne Allen, deceased, on the 10th day of November, 2022 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same within

the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
Judge of Probate

11/17,24&12/1-pd.

PUBLIC AUCTION

In accordance with S32 Chapter 13 codes of Alabama 1975, the following vehicles will be sold at auction on Thursday, December 29, 2022 @ 8:00 a.m. at Batten's Paint & Body, 1252 Geneva Hwy, Enterprise, AL 36330. 2001 Mazda B2500 V.I.N. (4F4YR12C01TM05787) 11/24 & 12/1,8-chg

NOTICE is hereby given that CB&I Storage Tank Solutions LLC, 915 N. Eldridge Parkway, Houston, TX 77079, has completed all work on the 1,500,000 GALLON ELEVATED WATER STORAGE TANK on Boll Weevil Circle (Highway 84 Bypass) in Enterprise, Alabama and sets November 21, 2022 as the date of final settlement. All persons and firms should file all claims for payment to the below address prior to December 21, 2022.

Water Works Board of the City of Enterprise
c/o Poly, Inc.
P.O. Box 837
Dothan, AL 36302
By: Michael Cheney
Project Manager

11/17,24 12/1/8-pd.

City of Elba Ordinance
Chapter 78 – UTILITIES [1]
Footnotes:

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Cross reference— Buildings and building regulations, ch. 14; businesses, ch. 18; environment, ch. 30; septic tanks and other sewage disposal methods, § 42-56 et seq.; solid waste, ch. 62; state standards for accommodating utilities, § 66-6.
State Law reference— Municipal public utilities, Code of Ala. 1975, § 11-50-1 et seq.
ARTICLE I. - IN GENERAL
Sec. 78-1. - Water and electric board. There is a water and electric board which has control over the city's water and electric distribution systems.
Sec. 78-2. - Connection or installation of utilities without building permit prohibited.
(a) No person, utility department or utility organization shall connect or install, or allow to be connected or installed any electrical, water or sewage utilities to any land, building, structures or parts thereof until a building permit is issued by the city.
(b) It shall be violation of the Code for any person to connect, install or allow to be connected, or installed any electrical, water or sewage utilities without the proper permit being issued by the city. Any person found to be in violation of this section shall upon conviction, be punished as provided in section 1-6 of this Code of Ordinances.
(Ord. No. 1996-9, 10-28-96; Ord. No. 1996-8, 11-12-96)
Secs. 78-3—78-25. - Reserved.
ARTICLE II. - SEWERS AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL [2]
Footnotes:

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State Law reference— Authority to construct and maintain sewer systems, Code of Ala. 1975, § 11-50-50 et seq.
DIVISION 1. - GENERALLY
Sec. 78-26. - Planting trees, vines to endanger sewer lines.
It shall be unlawful for any person to set out or plant trees or vines in such proximity to any of the sewer lines of the city, whether the sewer lines are in the streets or alleys or on the private property of the owner, so as to endanger the safety of such sewers or directly or remotely render it likely or probable that the growth of such trees or vines will impair the services of such sewers.
(Code 1968, § 20-2)
Sec. 78-27. - Tap fees.

(a) A nonrefundable tap fee in the following amount shall be imposed upon each user of the sanitary sewer system. Said tapping fee shall be paid prior to connection.
(1) Four-inch sewer tap \$600
(2) Six-inch sewer tap \$750
(3) Eight-inch sewer tap \$900
(b) If it is necessary to cut a street or bore under a street, the user shall be responsible for the actual cost of the city. This cost shall be in addition to any tapping fee and deposit. The city shall estimate the cost of the cut or bore and the user shall deposit said amount to the city before connection. Should the actual cost be more than the estimate the balance shall be added to the user's next monthly bill. Should the actual cost be less than the estimate the city shall refund the overage within 14 days of connection.

(c) If there is an existing tap in place and it is necessary for the city to locate the existing tap there will be a \$200.00 location fee billed to the user.
(Ord. No. 1991-12, § 5, 9-23-91; Ord. No. 091001A, 9-24-01; Ord. No. 2122007-2, 2-12-07)
Sec. 78-28. - Installation of service lines.
The city shall, when capacity and cost permit, install and maintain sanitary sewer lines to the user's property line. It shall be the user's responsibility to install and maintain service lines from the property serviced to the city service line which are in compliance with standards established by the city clerk or designee.
(Ord. No. 1991-12, § 5, 9-23-91; Ord. No. 091001B, 9-24-01)
Secs. 78-29—78-40. - Reserved.
DIVISION 2. - RATES AND CHARGES
Sec. 78-41. - Monthly rate— Residential users.
(a) There shall be imposed upon all residential household users of the sanitary sewer system rates based upon water usage according to the schedule below:
First 2,000 gallons of water usage per month \$13.00 minimum
Next 3,000 gallons of water usage per month \$3.50 per 1,000 gallons
Next 7,000 gallons of water usage per month \$2.00 per 1,000 gallons
Over 12,000 gallons of water usage per month No [additional] charge
(b) This rate schedule shall not be changed without prior written consent of Rural Development, the federal agency which administers rural utilities services loans and grants.
(c) The new rate schedule shall become effective the first billing cycle after completion of the improvements to the sanitary service system financed by the rural utilities service loan and grant.
(Ord. No. 1991-12, § 1, 9-23-91; Ord. No. 98-7, 8-24-98; Ord. No. 2122007-2, 2-12-07)
Sec. 78-42. - Same—Commercial and industrial users.
(a) There shall be imposed upon all commercial, and industrial users of the sanitary sewer system rates based upon water usage according to the schedule below:
First 3,000 gallons of water usage per month \$25.00 minimum
Over 3,000 gallons of water usage per month \$3.00 per 1,000 gallons
(b) This rate schedule shall not be changed without prior written consent of Rural Development, the federal agency which administers rural utilities services loans and grants.
(c) The new rate schedule shall become effective the first billing cycle after completion of the improvements to the sanitary service system financed by the Rural Utilities Service Loan and Grant.
(Ord. No. 1991-12, § 2, 9-23-91; Ord. No. 98-8, 8-24-98; Ord. No. 2122007-2, 2-12-07)
Sec. 78-43. - Date due; delinquency penalty.
(a) Beginning with the services rendered for the month of December 2022, and becoming due and payable on January 1, 2023, and continuing thereafter, the following charges shall be made and collected by the city.
(b) Fees assessed for monthly services and usage are due on the first day of each month, and if not

paid on or before the 15th day of each month a penalty of ten percent thereto will be assessed as penalty for late payment. The penalty assessment is to be paid over to and received by the water and electric board, and the sanitary sewer fee is to be remitted to the city clerk and deposited by him for the use and benefit of the city.
(Ord. No. 1991-12, § 3, 9-23-91; Ord. No. 091001C, 9-24-01)
State Law reference— Charges for services of sewer systems generally, Code of Ala. 1975, § 11-50-120 et seq.

Sec. 78-44. - Application and deposit for services.
(a) Upon proper application by the user and upon proof that all necessary permits have been issued, if capacity and cost allows the city will provide sanitary sewage service to the user's property line.
(b) A \$30.00 cash deposit to guarantee payment for services shall be paid by any person or organization desiring sanitary sewage service. Upon termination of sanitary sewage service and the last bill for services is paid in full, the deposit shall be refunded. If any bill for services becomes past due, the deposit shall be applied to the amount due.
(Ord. No. 1991-12, § 5, 9-23-91; Ord. No. 091001D, 9-24-01)
Sec. 78-45. - Termination of water service for delinquency.
If any user of the sanitary sewer system fails to pay for charges by the 20th day of the month, then the water and electrical service provided by the city or the city water and electric board shall be terminated without additional notice. Before services are reconnected, the user shall be required to pay all outstanding charges and shall pay all applicable reconnect fees.
(Ord. No. 1991-12, § 4, 9-23-91; Ord. No. 091001E, 9-24-01)
State Law reference— Enforcement of charges, Code of Ala. 1975, § 11-50-122.

Sec. 78-46. - Connection mandatory when sewer accessible.
(a) It shall be unlawful for any person, corporation or legal entity to refuse or fail to connect with a public sewer within 30 days from the receipt of written notice by the city engineer or the county board of health to so connect whenever such public sewer and a public water supply are reasonably accessible. Such public sewer and public water supply shall be deemed to be reasonably accessible when such public water supply and public sewer are within a distance of 150 feet of any outside line on the lot upon which any dwelling or other building is located, provided such sewer can be reached without crossing the property of another. When such property or premises is not subdivided into lots and so designated on available surveys or maps of record, the distance shall be deemed to apply to the nearest portion of such dwelling or other building.
(b) This section shall apply to all person, corporation or legal entity and property within the city.
(c) A violation of this section by any person, corporation or legal entity shall constitute a misdemeanor. Any person, corporation or legal entity who violates this section shall be punished as provided in section 1-6.
(Ord. No. 1998-9, 8-24-98)
11/24-chg.

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PUBLIC NOTICES: (continued from Page 4)

Notice to Contractors
Federal Aid Project No.
STPUC-0248(502)
DALE AND COFFEE
COUNTIES, ALABAMA

Sealed bids will be received by the Director of Transportation at the office of the Alabama Department of Transportation, Montgomery, Alabama until 10:00 AM on December 02, 2022 and at that time publicly opened for constructing the Planing, Resurfacing, and Traffic Stripe on SR-248 from the junction of Freedom Drive in Enterprise to a point near the Fort Rucker Gate (MP 6.066). Length 2.687 mi.
The total amount of uncompleted work under contract

to a contractor must not exceed the amount of his or her qualification certificate. The Entire Project Shall Be Completed In Thirty-five (35) Working Days.

A Bidding Proposal may be purchased for \$5.00. Plans may be purchased for \$6.00 per set. Plans and Proposals are available at the Alabama Department of Transportation, 1409 Coliseum Boulevard, Room E-108, Montgomery, AL 36110. Checks should be made payable to the Alabama Department of Transportation. Plans and Proposals will be mailed only upon receipt of remittance. No refunds will be made.

Minimum wage rates for this project have been predetermined by the Secretary of Labor and are set forth in the advertised specifications. This project is subject to the contract work hours and Safety Standards Act and its implementing regulations. Cashier's check or bid bond for 5% of bid (maximum - \$50,000.00) made payable to the Alabama Department of Transportation must accompany each bid as evidence of good faith. The bracket range is shown only to provide general financial information to contractors and bonding companies concerning the project's complexity and size. This Bracket should

not be used in preparing a bid, nor will this bracket have any bearing on the decision to award this contract. The Bracket Estimate On This Project Is From \$1,499,890 To \$1,833,199. The proposed work shall be performed in conformity with the rules and regulations for carrying out the Federal Highway Act. Plans and Specifications are on file in Room E-108 of the Alabama Department of Transportation at Montgomery, Alabama 36110. In accordance with the rules and regulations of The Alabama Department of Transportation, proposals will be issued only to prequalified contractors or their autho-

rized representatives, upon requests that are received before 10 AM., on the day previous to the day of opening of bids. The bidder's proposal must be submitted on the complete original proposal furnished him or her by the Alabama Department of Transportation. The Alabama Department of Transportation, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C. 2000D-4 and Title 49 code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of The Secretary, Part 21, nondiscrimination in federally-assisted programs of the Department of

Transportation issued pursuant to such act, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin in consideration for an award. The right to reject any or all bids is reserved. JOHN R. COOPER
Transportation Director
11/17,24 & 12/1-chg

More Public Notices
on Page 8!

City of Elba Ordinance
Chapter 62 - SOLID WASTE
[1]

Footnotes:
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Cross reference— Environment, ch. 30; septic tanks and other sewage disposal methods, § 42-56 et seq.; utilities, ch. 78. State Law reference— Solid Waste Disposal Act, Code of Ala. 1975, § 22-27-1 et seq.; criminal littering, Code of Ala. 1975, § 13A-7-29; general authority relative to solid waste, Code of Ala. 1975, § 11-47-135.

ARTICLE I. - IN GENERAL

Sec. 62-1. - Littering.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to throw or deposit in the streets or other public places any bottles, glass, nails, tacks or any other material injurious to traffic.

(b) It shall be unlawful for any person to throw, drop, leave or place any banana or other fruit peelings or refuse, tacks or glass on the sidewalks of the city.

(c) It shall be unlawful for any person to sweep from any storehouse or office, into the streets or sidewalks of the city, any paper or other rubbish.

(Code 1968, §§ 17-2, 17-6, 17-7)

Cross reference— Parks and recreation, ch. 54.

State Law reference— Criminal littering, Code of Ala. 1975, § 13A-7-29.

Secs. 62-2—62-25. - Reserved.

ARTICLE II. - MUNICIPAL COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL SERVICE[2]

Footnotes:
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Editor's note— Ord. No. 092605, §§ 1—12, adopted Sept. 26, 2005, did not specifically amend the code and has been included herein as superseding the former provisions of Art. II, §§ 62-26 and 62-36—62-39, at the discretion of the editor. Said provisions pertained to similar subject matter and derived from §§ 8-1, 8-3, 8-4 of the 1968 Code; Ord. No. 1991-13, § 8-1(a)—(d), adopted Sept. 23, 1991; and Ord. No. 1997-1, adopted Jan. 13, 1997.

State Law reference— Authority to provide for solid waste disposal, Code of Ala. 1975, § 22-27-3.

Sec. 62-26. - Definitions.

The following terms when used in this article shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

Business/commercial. A business or commercial establishment located in a business or commercial zone and being licensed by the city.

Commercial contractor. A person licensed and permitted by the city to collect commercial garbage within the corporate limits of the city.

Garbage. Includes all waste accumulations of animal, fruit and/or vegetable matter that attend the preparation, use, cooking, dealing in or storage of meat, fowl, fish, fruits, or vegetables; also tin cans or other containers originally used for foodstuffs, including waste and discarded materials includ-

ing rubbish. Home occupation. A business, profession, occupation, or trade, conducted within the living area of a dwelling or within an accessory structure where a residential garbage fee is being charged.

Residence. Single-family dwellings, duplexes, townhouses, apartments, and trailers.

Residence unit. A polyethylene container designed to contain solid waste materials including garbage, and rubbish, and which shall have suitable wheels and a handle so it can be pushed or pulled with little effort, and can be lifted and dumped in a semi-automated manner by hydraulic dumping units attached to standard city garbage vehicles.

Rubbish. All non-perishable solid wastes, consisting of both combustible and non-combustible wastes, such as paper, cardboard, glass, crockery, excelsior, cloth and similar materials.

Trash. Leaves, yard clippings, limbs, debris from pruning or processing plant material, furniture, appliances, and other discarded items.

(Ord. No. 092605, § 1, 9-26-05)

Sec. 62-27. - Collection of disposal service established. There is hereby established in the city a garbage, trash and rubbish collection, hauling and disposal service, to be operated by the sanitation department. The collection, hauling and disposal of garbage shall be made by the sanitation department not less frequently than once each week in residential and commercial areas. Rubbish, trash, leaves, grass, straw and shrubbery trimmings shall be collected on cycles around the city. All collection schedules are subject to change due to legal holidays or weather conditions, or other circumstances deemed by the city to justify such change.

(Ord. No. 092605, § 2, 9-26-05)

Sec. 62-28. - Authority of sanitation superintendent to further regulate garbage and trash collection.

The sanitation superintendent has the authority to cause to be made departmental regulations for an orderly, efficient and economically feasible residential and commercial garbage and trash collection system.

(Ord. No. 092605, § 3, 9-26-05)

Sec. 62-29. - Mandatory public participation.

Every person, household, or residential property generating garbage shall participate in and subscribe to the city's system of service and shall comply with the requirements of this article whether or not they desire the services be rendered except as provided in section 62-31. Every business, industry, or commercial property shall participate in and subscribe to the city sanitation department service or a commercial garbage contractor or a governmental entity or authority, all approved by the city and shall comply with the requirements of this article whether or not they desire the services. They shall be required to pay such col-

lection and disposal fees that may be established by the city. The city hereby adopts the rules and regulations of the state department of public health regarding solid waste collection, transportation, storage, processing and disposal as may be amended from time to time and any local rules of the county health board that may be promulgated from time to time with regard to solid waste collection, transportation, storage, processing and disposal. The provisions of this article are mandatory and not voluntary. (Ord. No. 092605, § 4, 9-26-05)

Sec. 62-30. - Providing containers; placement for emptying; repair and replacement; back entrance pick-up.

(1) The city will provide each resident a roll-out container for the purpose of storage of garbage.

(2) The city will provide each business or commercial establishment desiring to use the city sanitation department for garbage or refuse collection with a container or containers for the purpose of storage of garbage.

(3) On scheduled garbage pick-up days, the resident or business will be required to place the roll-out container at the curbside not later than 6:00 a.m. and remove the roll-out container from the curbside not later than 7:00 p.m. on the same day and place the roll-out container in the rear yard out of view of the traveled way.

(4) The resident or business will be responsible for cleaning of the roll-out container.

(5) The city will be responsible for repair or replacement of roll-out containers damaged or stolen through no fault of the resident.

(6) Upon proof of disability because of health, age or other reasons, the sanitation department will collect garbage from roll-out containers placed near the back entrance of such residence upon agreement with the department.

(7) No collection personnel shall enter houses or buildings.

(Ord. No. 092605, § 5, 9-26-05)

Sec. 62-31. - Disposal of trash.

(a) In residential areas:

(1) All leaves, limbs, prunings, appliances, furniture and discarded items shall be placed behind the curb, not in the street, and will be picked up on a cycle.

(2) All grass clippings shall be placed in plastic trash bags and sealed tightly to prevent spilling.

(3) All sanitary pads and disposable diapers, and other materials used in the care of infants, convalescents, or bedridden people, shall be placed in double plastic, sealed airtight bags, and placed in roll-out containers for collection or scheduled garbage collection days.

(4) Where a garbage fee is not paid at a vacant lot, unoccupied residence or building, the owner or contractor is responsible for the removal of trash and other items. One time request may be made under the requirements of section 62-36.

(5) Building debris, such as scrap lumber, plaster, roof-

ing, concrete, bricks and sanding dust, resulting from the construction, repair, remodeling, removal or demolition of any building or appurtenance on private property; and dirt, stumps and tree trunks will not be removed by the sanitation department, but the owner shall cause such waste to be privately moved.

(6) The city shall not be responsible for the collecting and hauling of rubbish, trash, limbs, brush or other debris from private property preliminary to, during or subsequent to construction of new buildings of whatever type prior to occupancy. Such material shall be removed by the owner of such property or the contractor responsible for the accumulation of the same.

(7) It shall be the responsibility of all fence companies, tree surgeons, pulpwood contractors, nurseries and landscape contractors or any individual or company doing work on private property to remove from premises all residue and rubbish resulting from such work.

(b) In commercial areas:

(1) Trash collection shall be as needed and/or requested.

(2) When needed or requested the placement and disposal shall follow the same rules for residential areas.

(3) Rates and charges are established in section 62-36. (Ord. No. 092605, § 6, 9-26-05)

Sec. 62-32. - Commercial garbage collection.

The collection of all commercial garbage and trash shall be provided by the city sanitation department or a commercial garbage contractor who is licensed by and has a current permit from the city to operate within the city or a governmental entity or authority approved by the city. (Ord. No. 092605, § 7, 9-26-05)

Sec. 62-33. - Unauthorized removal of garbage from containers.

It shall be unlawful for any person to remove any garbage, rubbish or other like material from any garbage can or other container, within the city, after it has been placed therein except under the order of an officer, agent or employee of the sanitation department or by some other authorized person removing same for disposal. (Ord. No. 092605, § 8, 9-26-05)

Sec. 62-34. - Dumping other than in containers.

No person shall place or cause to be placed upon the public streets, sidewalks or alleys of the city any garbage, trash, refuse or other waste unless the same be placed in a garbage or trash container as herein provided. (Ord. No. 092605, § 9, 9-26-05)

Sec. 62-35. - Businesses not to sweep trash into streets or curblines.

It shall be unlawful for any firm or business house to permit the residue from its sweeping of buildings, parking areas or sidewalks to be swept into curblines or streets, but they shall have such residue or trash place in proper receptacles. (Ord. No. 092605, § 10, 9-26-05)

Council sets the rate for business and commercial establishment as follows:

Container Size	Number of Pick-Ups Per Week				
	1	2	3	4	5
95 Gallon Cart*	\$25.00	\$30.00	\$35.00	\$40.00	\$45.00
4 Yard	\$72.00	\$92.00	\$112.00	\$132.00	\$152.00
6 Yard	\$82.00	\$157.00	\$207.00	\$257.00	\$307.00

/s/ Tom Maddox
Tom Maddox, Mayor
ATTEST:
/s/ Sally Bane
Sally Bane, City Clerk

or other retail businesses. For each additional container provided there shall be a charge of ten dollars per month. For additional pickups per week, rates will be as follows:
One time per week \$25.00
Two times per week \$30.00
Three times per week \$35.00
Four times per week \$40.00
Five times per week \$45.00

(7) Rates and charges for business or commercial establishments shall be determined, established, modified or amended from time to time by recommendation of the city clerk/treasurer of the City of Elba and set by Council Resolution. The city is authorized to enter into contracts or service agreements with business or commercial establishments that desire service by the city.

(8) For each business or commercial establishment requesting trash pick up service there shall be a charge of \$25.00. When the pick up or service also meets the minimum of one-half trailer load or more the fee shall be \$100.00 per one-half trailer load in addition to the \$25.00 charge.

(9) Waste oil will not be picked up, however the city will provide a site at the sanitation department where residents may dispose of waste oil.

(10) The practice of moving, transporting, or otherwise in any way deceptively locating garbage or trash to another location other than its originating location for the purpose of avoiding payment shall be unlawful and considered theft of services and punishable as provided by law.

(Ord. No. 092605, § 11, 9-26-05; Ord. No. 2122007-1, 2-12-07; Ord. No. 10122009, 10-12-09; Ord. No. 02112013, 2-11-13; Ord. No. 04112016, 4-11-16)

Sec. 62-37. - Billing; collection agent.

(1) All bills for service shall be rendered monthly on the same statement rendered by the utilities board of the city for water and sewer services and handling in the same manner as prescribed by the utilities board.

(2) The utilities board is hereby designated as the agent for collection of garbage fees, and such board shall remit the same to the city clerk on a weekly basis; provided, however, that where the person liable for the fees prescribed has no water or sewer service furnished to such person by the board, such fees shall be paid by such person to the office of the city clerk on a monthly basis, such payment shall be due by the first day of each month and such payment shall be delinquent after the 15th of each such month.

(3) Failure to pay the charges herein provided shall constitute a violation of this article and shall be unlawful, and shall be punishable as provided by law.

(Ord. No. 092605, § 12, 9-26-05)

Resolution 11142022B

Trash Rate

In accordance with Elba Ordinance Section 62-36 (6) be it resolved that the City of Elba Council sets the rate for trash pickup of trash one-half trailer load (ten cubic yards) or more as one-hundred dollars per load.

Adopted this the 14th day of November 2022.

/s/ Tom Maddox
Tom Maddox, Mayor
ATTEST:
/s/ Sally Bane
Sally Bane, City Clerk

Resolution 11142022C

Business or Commercial Garbage Fees

In accordance with Elba Ordinance Section 62-36 (9) be it resolved that the City of Elba

Views From
The Pressbox
By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

It was 'Book Fair' week at the Elba Elementary School last week and our grandson Lawson took advantage of the event to take home almost \$100 in books for his ever-growing library. Lawson loves to read when he gets the chance and I have no doubts he will have these books read in just a matter of weeks and be back at the City Library getting more.

For what it is worth....

*** *The Brantley Bulldogs saw their season end* last week with a tough loss to Leroy, and while I am sure the coaches would disagree, I told folks before the game was played that it looked like the 'perfect storm' brewing for the Bulldogs. The storm I saw coming was due to the fact Brantley was coming off a big playoff road win over previously undefeated Linden, its biggest playoff rival in recent years, and that another long road game was straight ahead against Leroy, a 2A power that had moved down to the 1A ranks, that Leroy was a team the Bulldogs had never played and was perhaps a team the players couldn't really get excited about playing after the emotional win the week before. Whether you agree or not, Brantley was no match for the physical Bears that dominated the game for all four quarters and had no answers on how to escape with a win. The loss hurt, but one game doesn't define a team or a season, and this season was one in which the Bulldogs bounced back from two regular season losses to advance to the third round of the playoffs and kept the Bulldog mystic alive and well across the state.

*** *The third round of the playoffs* was filled with excitement for teams all across the state, and a few games that caught my eye included (1A) Millry rolling over Sweet Water 41-6 to set up a rematch against Leroy, (2A) Highland Home blanking Clarke County 19-0 to reach the semifinals for the second straight season, (3A) Mobile Christian eliminating Pike County 27-7 in a season that the Bulldogs from Brundidge came back strong from a winless season just one year ago, (4A) Andalusia scoring two touchdowns in the final two minutes to stun previously unbeaten Anniston 35-28 to set up a rematch against top-ranked Montgomery Catholic, (5A) Charles Henderson picking up win number eleven with a 19-16 upset win over top-ranked UMS-Wright, (6A) Saraland surviving a 29-point fourth quarter meltdown to outscore Homewood 57-56, and (7A) Auburn and Hoover winning to move to the state finals.


*** *While the Elba Tigers have been* one of the winningest football programs in the state for many years, the playoffs have not been kind to the Tigers in recent years. Since the state title run back in 2015, the Tigers have struggled to post a 6-6 record in post-season play, and during that time have not advanced past the second round of the playoffs. That will no doubt be something the coaches discuss in the coaches office over the weeks to come.

*** *The 2022 Elba Tiger football season* is now in the history books and while it did have a disappointing ending after an undefeated regular season, it was a year in which the Tigers did add some pages to their rich football history. Elba kicked off its second century on the gridiron and recorded its 600th win all-time to grab the headlines. The 2022 Tigers were only the eighth team in 101 years to win 11 games in a season, were the first team to win eight region games in a season and were only the seventh team all-time to post an undefeated regular season. The offense scored a total of 491 points, the fifth most in 101 years and the most ever by a team in a 12-game season. The defense allowed a total of 176 points, which was the fewest allowed since the championship season back in 2015. Coach Marc Sieving also put his name in the record books as he is now the fifth winningest coach all-time at Elba High among a total of 39 coaches with 27 wins in three seasons. He is also only the seventh coach ever to record at least 20 wins in a career as the leader of the Tigers.

*** *Ye Ole Polish Prognosticator* sent me a text after last week's 9-4 third round playoff record and stated that since Brantley was no longer playing he would just send in his picks. That takes away my fun picking on the local guesspert, but at least he did send in his picks. Here goes....

(1A) Millry 28 Leroy 27, Pickens Co.40 Coosa Chri. 35
(2A) B.B. Comer 22 Highland Hm. 20, Fyffe 21 Pisgah 7
(3A) St. James 17 Mobile Chri. 14, P'mont 35 Sylvania 14
(4A) Catholic 31 Andy 28, Oneonta 20 Cherokee Co. 16
(5A) Faith 24 Ch. Henderson 14, Ramsay 42 Pleasant Grove 41
(6A) Theodore 28 Saraland 21, Mt. Brook 31 Muscle Shoals 14
(7A) Thompson 28 Auburn 10

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SPORTS NEWS

Elba ready to tip off basketball season

Elba Tigers

The Elba Tigers have made the transition from the football field to the basketball court and Tiger head coach Kelsey Prestwood is optimistic this year's team will be much improved and will be a fun team to coach and for fans to support.

"We only have two players back from last season," stated Prestwood, in his second season at the helm at Elba High, "but they are both guards in JT Coleman and Alvin Henderson, and I expect them to be team leaders on the court on offense and defense."

"I really like this group of players and even though we only have nine varsity players we should be able to rotate more players in and out and help each other out," added Prestwood. "We have more quality depth than last season, and had a really good summer. We should be able to shoot the ball better on offense, be stronger on the boards and play both physical and fast on both ends of the court. I am looking forward to the season and can't wait to get started."

The Tigers are blessed with depth at the guard position, as joining Coleman and Henderson in the backcourt will be senior Taylon Purvis, as well as Cody Gray and Cameron Gray. The inside strength of the team should also be much improved, led by 6-3 Jamal Siler and a trio of 6-1 players in Ty Sieving, Cayden Adkins and Brayden Johnson.

"Eight of our nine players are just coming off the football field and it may take a little time to make the transition," said Prestwood, "but they will get better the more they practice and I think the winning attitude of the football team will carry over to basketball. We don't have any real tall players, but we have four players that are strong and physical, and I really expect us to be able to be able to score from both the outside and inside, and be strong in the paint."

"We should be able to be successful on offense and execute much better than last season," said Prestwood. "We will be more disciplined, and that

ELBA HIGH SCHOOL
2022-2023 Basketball Schedule

NOV. 28	GENEVA HOME	4:30
NOV. 29	SAMSON AWAY	4:30
DEC. 1	NEW BROCKTON AWAY	4:30
DEC. 8	GOSHEN AWAY	4:30
DEC. 9	PIKE LIBERAL ARTS AWAY	4:30
DEC. 12	ZION CHAPEL HOME	4:30
DEC. 13	GOSHEN HOME	4:30
DEC. 15-17	FLORALA TOURNAMENT VG-VB	
DEC. 19	WICKSBURG HOME	4:30
DEC. 20	NEW BROCKTON HOME	4:30
DEC. 27-30	ELBA TOURNAMEMT VG-VB	
JAN. 3	KINSTON HOME	4:30
JAN. 5	HOUSTON COUNTY AWAY	3:30
JAN. 10	HOUSTON COUNTY HOME	3:30
JAN. 13	FLORALA HOME	4:30
JAN. 17	KINSTON AWAY	4:30
JAN. 18	FLORALA AWAY	4:30
JAN. 20	PIKE LIBERAL ARTS HOME	4:30
JAN. 24	BRANTLEY HOME	4:30
JAN. 26	WICKSBURG AWAY	4:30
JAN. 27	SAMSON HOME	4:30
JAN. 31	BRANTLEY AWAY	4:30
FEB. 2	ZION CHAPEL AWAY	4:30

will help us a multiple offense based on the team we are playing. I think we have some guys that can shoot the three, guys that can run the court, and guys that can bang inside and score around the basket. I honestly believe we can be successful no matter what kind of offensive style we are in. Over on defense I am not that sure just how good we may be early in the season, but do expect our depth to pay dividends and think with five guards and four inside players we should be able to get after folks."

"We have a very competitive schedule that includes a couple of new teams in Wicksburg, Pike Liberal Arts and Geneva," added Prestwood, "and of course our area opponents are really tough with Kinston, Florala, Brantley and Houston County. We sprinkled in Zion Chapel and New Brockton on the

schedule to give the fans something to get excited about, and will compete in three tournaments, including our own the week after Christmas. The schedule may look a little ambitious for a 1A team with only nine players, but we want to play and this schedule will give the players a chance to play hard and improve."

"We will obviously have to take it one step at a time early in the season," stated Prestwood, "but this year those steps shouldn't be baby steps since the players learned the system in the summer and should get back in the swing of things fairly quickly. I am looking at the Florala tournament as the date we should be at full speed, and by then we should know where we are and what kind of team we are. I am excited and the players are excited to get the season started and hope all our fans will come out and help make a difference."

Elba Lady Tigers

The Elba Lady Tigers will tip off the basketball season on Monday, Nov. 28, at home against Geneva and Coach Shaun Hammonds admits that he and his players and his players are excited about the upcoming season.

"We have nine girls on the team that were with us last season and after a good summer of work are convinced the team can go as far as it wants," said Hammonds. "we have been working hard for the past two weeks at practice, and while we went back and started from scratch,

the players all knew what we were doing and what to expect from me. That helped us take a step forward in a lot of areas and believe we can do some good things."

Elba will be busy in opening week action as after hosting Geneva, a final four participant a year ago, the Lady Tigers will hit road for early-seasons games against Samson and New Brockton.

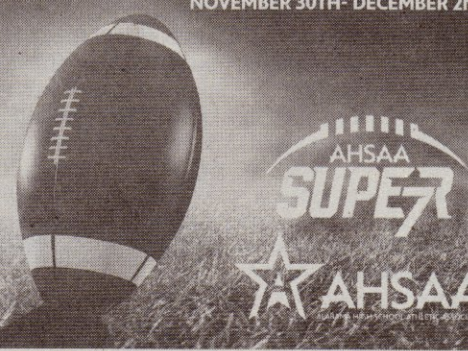

"Geneva will be a real test as an opening game," added Hammonds, "since they have already played a handful of games and opened its season in a tournament in Montgomery two weeks ago. Samson is another perennial power that is expecting big things and New Brockton is looking for its best season in years. The opening week will be quite a challenge."

"We are going to play a more up tempo style this season on both offense and defense and hope that our style of play will wear teams down," said Hammonds. "We have some quality depth off the bench that will allow us to rest some folks, and not stop our style of play at the same time. We are going to get after our opponents all over the court on defense and hope to use that pace to set us up on offense. We will be able to play a half court style if we have to and have good size inside to battle on the boards, and feel like we can be successful no matter what style we use. I think we are the team to beat in our area (Elba, Brantley, Kinston, Florala, Houston County) and we will play with that confidence."

PREP BASKETBALL SCHEDULES
Monday, Nov. 28
Geneva at Elba
Kinston at Highland Home
Ariton at Zion Chapel

Tuesday, Nov. 29
Elba at Samson
New Brockton at Slocomb
Zion Chapel at Dale County

Thursday, Dec. 1
Elba at New Brockton
Houston Academy at Kinston
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SPORTS NEWS

Ousted by Leroy 42-14

Bulldogs caught in bear trap

Statistics by W.J. Adcock
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The Brantley Bulldogs saw their drive to a state title hit a dead end last Friday night in Leroy as they lost to the Leroy Bears 42-14, in the third round of the 1A state football playoffs.

Brantley received the game's opening kickoff and showed the Bears it had come to play as the Bulldogs went 65 yards in seven plays to grab an early lead. Jayden Parks rushed for 15 yards on two carries and completed three passes for 42 yards to spark the scoring drive, which was capped on a 35-yard touchdown toss from Parks to Jordan Parks. Jayden Parks added the extra-point as the Bulldogs jumped ahead 7-0 with 8:06 remaining in the first quarter.

The Brantley offense was unable to get back into the endzone for the remainder of the half. However, Leroy had no such problem as the Bears scored on three straight possessions to carry a 21-7 lead in at intermission.

The first Bears touchdown came with 3:34 left in the first quarter on a 2-yard run by Malik Howell that capped an eight-play, 61-yard drive, while the second came with 9:44 left in the second quarter on a 40-yard pass from

Brayden Huebner to Taylor Crumedy that capped a six-play, 64-yard drive, and the third came with 2:35 left in the half on a 55-yard pass from Huebner to Crumedy that capped a seven-play, 87-yard march. Rob Moseley kicked all three extra-points as Leroy gave its home fans plenty to cheer about!

Leroy picked right back up where it had left off to open the second half as the Bears received the kickoff and went 55 yards in six plays to extend their lead. The score came on a 22-yard run by Brayden Huebner, and Moseley added the extra-point as the Bears lead grew to 28-7 with 9:23 left in the third quarter.

Brantley came back to life on offense on its next possession and stayed alive as the Bulldogs went 52 yards on eight plays to get back into the endzone. Jayden Parks completed 5 of 6 passes for 41 yards to lead the 'Dogs down the field, with the score coming on a 10-yard touchdown toss from Parks to Jon Bush. Parks also added the extra-point as Brantley pulled within 28-14 with 6:12 still left in the quarter.

Both teams were forced to punt on the game's next four offensive series, but Leroy was far from finished visiting the endzone and scored on its final two possessions to

post the 42-14 playoff win. The Bears fifth score of the night came on a 3-yard run by Huebner with 3:58 left on the clock that capped an 11-play, 59-yard drive, while the final score came on a 63-yard dash by Huebner with 2:09 remaining. Moseley made it six for six on extra-points to close the deal on the Bears impressive playoff win over the Bulldogs.

Jayden Parks rushed for 19 yards on six carries and completed 15 of 23 passes for 139 yards and two touchdowns to lead the Brantley offense, with Jordan Parks pulling in 3 passes for 55 yards and one td, and Jon Bush pulling in 5 passes for 31 yards and one td.

Brayden Huebner rushed for 170 yards and three touchdowns on 21 carries and completed 3 of 5 passes for 101 yards and two touchdowns to lead Leroy, while Malik Howell rushed for 99 yards and one td on 16 carries and Taylor Crumedy caught two passes for 95 yards and two scores.

The yardstick....		
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6	1st Downs	21
17-23	Rush-Yds.	42-289
139	Passing Yds.	101
162	Total Offense	390
15-23-0	Passes	3-5-0
2/0	Fumbles/Lost	0/0
6-38	Punts-Ave.	2-26
5-55	Pen.-Yds.	9-47



WAITING FOR THE PLAY.... Brantley Bulldogs look toward the sidelines for the play call during recent playoff action. Pictured are (l-r) Jordan Parks (5), Jayden Parks (1), Jon Bush (3) and Kendrick Welch (11). The Bulldogs closed the season with a 10-3 record.

Basketball

ROUNDBALL ROUND UP



Kinston Bulldog head basketball coach George Scott talks with his players during a time out in recent basketball action.

In 'Games of the Week'

Zion Chapel stung by Yellow Jackets

Zion Chapel hosted Abbeville Thursday night in an early-season 2A match-up and "came out" on the short end in all three games as the Rebels lost 77-64 in varsity boys action, the Lady Rebels lost 58-18 in varsity girls action and the JV boys dropped a 42-25 decision.

Following are highlights of all three games in this week's 'Games of the Week.'

VARSITY BOYS: ABBEVILLE 77 ZION CHAPEL 64

The Zion Chapel Rebels trailed by only three points midway through the fourth quarter, but saw the Abbeville Yellow Jackets close the game with a 15-5 run to pull away and hand the Rebels a 77-64 home court loss.

Zion Chapel jumped out to an early 3-2 lead on a basket by Jacob Chestnut, but saw Abbeville go on a 13-3 run to open up a 15-6 lead midway through the stanza. The Rebels, led by the hot shooting of Chestnut, nailed four three-pointers to pull even at 18-18 with 6:45 remaining in the second quarter, only to see the Yellow Jackets answer with an 11-2 rally as they regained control and opened up a 29-20 lead.

The Rebels rallied to pull within 36-30 late in the half, but Abbeville again had an answer for the pesky Rebels and this time used a 13-0 run to take a 49-30 lead with 4:58 left in the

third quarter. Zion Chapel pulled within 51-43 late in the quarter on a basket by Slade Grantham and battled until the final horn, but could never catch up as it dropped the 77-64 decision.

Zion Chapel, which hit only 9 of 25 free throw attempts, was led in scoring by Jacob Chestnut with 20 points, Mason Stuart with 14 points and Slade Grantham with 11. Also scoring for the Rebels were Ian Herbert 9, Joseph Legear 7 and Bradon Grantham 3. Ahmad Billins scored 30 points and Dylan Crawford added 18 to lead the Yellow Jackets.

VARSITY GIRLS: ABBEVILLE 58 ZION CHAPEL 18

The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels fell behind 15-0 in the first quarter and never challenged in a 58-18 loss to the Abbeville Lady Jackets.

Abbeville raced out to a 15-0 lead before Zion Chapel got on the scoreboard with 1:50 left in the stanza on a three-pointer by Abby Odom, and stretched is lead to 31-5 late in the half before Madison Meeks hit a free throw and Riley Bannin drained a long three-pointer.

Abbeville never lost command in the second half and outscored the Lady Rebels in both quarters as the Lady Jackets claimed the big 58-18 win.

Shea Wambles scored 7 points to lead the Lady Rebels, while also scoring

were Abby Odom 3, Meri Cason Prescott 3, Riley Bannin 3 and Madison Meeks 2. Jamiyah Glover scored 13 points to lead Abbeville, while Bree Hardeman added 11 and Gabi Brown scored 10.

JV BOYS: ABBEVILLE 42 ZION CHAPEL 25

The Zion Chapel Rebels lost control in the second quarter and never recovered in a 42-25 loss to the Abbeville Yellow Jackets.

The Rebels trailed only 9-4 after one quarter, but Abbeville went on a 21-7 run in the second quarter to open up a 30-11 halftime advantage, and Zion Chapel never recovered as it fell to defeat.

Brodie Stinson scored 10 points to lead the Rebels, while also scoring were John Foster Hamm 6, Alex Moseley 4, Brayden McCarty 2, Jeremiah Eddins 2 and Brodie Davis 1. Leading the Yellow Jackets were Kameron Wallace with 13 points and Khristain Dawkins with 11.

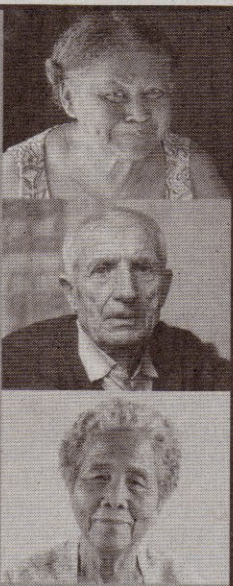
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10 rebounds to lead Dale County, while Myesa Kennedy added 6 points.

Kinston Bulldogs knock off Knights 63-46

The Kinston Bulldogs picked up their first win of the young season last Monday night with a 63-46 home court win over the Northside Methodist Academy Knights. Connor Tew scored 18 points to spark the Bulldogs to the big win.

Kinston Lady Bulldogs drop opener 47-26

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs battled for all four quarters in a 47-26 loss to Northside Methodist Academy. Addie Forrest scored 21 points and grabbed 11 rebounds to lead the Lady Knights, while dana Cool added 17 points and 9 rebounds.

Zion Chapel drops Dale County 74-64

The Zion Chapel Rebels tipped off the season with an exciting 74-64 overtime win over the Dale County Warriors. Slade Grantham scored 31 points and Jacob Chestnut added 19 to lead the Rebels, while Jamarvion Scott led the Warriors with 26 points.

Lady Rebels tripped up 25-20

The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels battled for all four quarters in a 25-20 season opening loss to the Dale County Lady Warriors. Adrianna Koonce scored 14 points and grabbed

the Lady Bulldogs.

Lady Tigers bounce 'Brockton 33-25

The Elba Lady Tigers closed out their season with a 6-5 record last week after knocking off the New Brockton Lady Gamecocks, at New Brockton. The Lady Tigers trailed 10-6 after one quarter, but outscored the Lady Gamecocks 19-7 over the next two quarters to take a 25-17 lead and coasted in with the exciting win. Ny'Asia McCollough scored 27 points to lead Elba, while Sydney Siler, Keelie Moseley and Diovonnie Lockett all scored 2. Scoring for New Brockton were Ariana Smith 10, Trinity Caldwell 4, Reese Eddins 4, Emily Grace Peeples 3, Priscilla Diaz 2 and Jenna Kate Weeks 2.

Elba Tigers fall to Gamecocks 31-29

The Elba Tigers ended their season with a hard fought 31-29 road loss to the New Brockton Gamecocks. The Tigers rallied from a 21-16 halftime deficit to carry a 25-22 lead into the fourth quarter, but scored only four points in the final stanza as the Gamecocks rallied to claim the win. Scoring for Elba were Matthew McCart 9, Easton McKelvy 7, Ky'Avian Stoudemire 4, Laquatos Edwards 3, Levi Martin 2, Johnathan Edwards 2, and Skylar Mitchell 2. New Brockton was led in scoring by Cayden Wallace 15, Brody Eubanks 11, Noah Moore 3 and James Wood 2.

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CHURCH & LOCAL NEWS

PASTOR'S CORNER

by Ken Wilson, Pastor
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Thanksgiving

I love Thanksgiving for many reasons. It officially kicks off the Holiday season and it is a day for family, football, and food. However, I think the thing I love the most about Thanksgiving is the fact that if we are giving thanks for our blessings, we are also acknowledging that there is someone to whom we are thankful.

Growing up I didn't enjoy Thanksgiving as much because we would always go to my grandparents' house which would normally be a good thing, but Thanksgiving was different. We couldn't run and play because we had to dress up like we were going to church, I still don't like wearing a tie, and we all sat in the same spot around the table every year.

Apparently, my grandparents only had a certain number of chairs. I was the youngest grandchild and when I came along all the chairs had been taken. I know this because until I was about 7 yrs. old, I sat in a highchair. Every year we took a picture of the family around the table with the turkey and all the trimmings before we said the blessing, and there I would be, getting larger each year but still squeezed into the highchair.

Either the highchair finally broke, or they found another dining chair because I finally got promoted, shortly before I started shaving. It's funny now to look back at those pictures and laugh at how I was forced to endure such torture. However, I now realize why it was so different from any other time we went to my grandparents' house.

It was because of what the day meant. We were thanking God for His blessings and His provisions for us. We dressed up because we were showing reverence for the one to whom we were giving thanks. Those types of traditions helped to shape me into who I am today and for that I am thankful.

This year as you celebrate your families Thanksgiving traditions remember to whom we are giving thanks. As the Psalmist said "Enter His gates with thanksgiving And His courts with praise. Give thanks to Him, bless His name." (Psalm 100:4) and also remember to have enough chairs.



All the Best at Thanksgiving

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Troy Regional Medical Center awarded 'A' hospital safety grade

Troy Regional Medical Center received an "A" Hospital Safety Grade from The Leapfrog Group.

This national distinction celebrates Troy Regional Medical Center's achievements in protecting hospital patients from preventable harm and errors.

"We are honored to receive an 'A' Hospital Safety Grade once again," said Rick Smith, CEO of Troy Regional Medical Center, noting this is the organization's fourth consecutive such grade. "Our team at Troy Regional Medical Center is dedicated to providing the best pos-

sible care to our patients, and that includes safety. We appreciate this significant recognition from The Leapfrog Group."

The Leapfrog Group is an independent national watchdog organization with a 10-year history of assigning letter grades to general hospitals throughout the United States, based on a hospital's ability to prevent medical errors and harm to patients. The grading system is peer-reviewed, fully transparent, and free to the public. Hospital Safety Grade results are based on more than 30 national per-

formance measures and are updated each fall and spring.

"An 'A' Safety Grade is a sign that hospitals are continuously evaluating their performance, so they can best protect patients," said Leah Binder, president and CEO of The Leapfrog Group. "Your hospital team should be extremely proud

of their dedication and achievement."

To see Troy Regional Medical Center's full grade details and to access patient tips for staying safe in the hospital, visit [HospitalSafetyGrade.org](https://www.hospitalgrade.org) and follow The Leapfrog Group on Twitter, Facebook, and via its newsletter.

Round and About

With Eria's Daughter

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Scripture: The Way of Wisdom. Proverbs 9:1-12

Thinking of You! Praying for You.

Mike and Rosemary Edwards, Georgia Nelson, Alice Musgrove, Michael Manning, Betty Moore, Beatrice Belcher, Rose R. Coleman, Shirley Coleman, and Charlie Lee

November Birthdays / Anniversaries

Jalen Fitch 11/24
Aubretta W. Mitchell 11/24
Ida Mae Sanford 11/24 (in memory)
Kanika (KiKi) Belcher 11/26
Willie M. Whitehurst 11/27
Caleb Kelley 11/27
Audrey W. Bennett 11/27
Winston T. Kelley 11/27
Rev. Aubrey R. Williams 11/27
Willie Kevin Tillis 11/28
Isaiah Watkins 11/28
Jennifer Henderson 11/29

It's Their Fault

It seems like a law of human nature to blame others for our failures. Eve blamed her disobedience on the serpent. Adam blamed his on Eve. He even blamed God (since God had given Eve to him). I read once of a woman whose husband was prone to blaming her for everything. After he got into an argument with his own mother on the telephone, he hung up, turned to his wife, and said, "Well, it's your mother-in-law!" It's so easy to blame our government for all that is wrong in the country. Yet we are the ones who elected the officials to office. It is easy to blame the producers of television shows for "all the garbage" that appears on our TV screens. Yet if people did not buy the products of companies

that advertise on such programs, the programs would disappear. To place the blame, we often need to look at ourselves.

As the prayer looked at the problems of Judah, it acknowledged that the problem was not "someone else" but "us". Although the prayer refers to various individuals of the past who got the downhill slide started, it is also quick to affirm that the problem of foreign domination is "because of our sins." As my favorite comic strip character, Pogo, once said, "We have met the enemy and he is us." - J.B.N.

Question / Answer Section

Q/A for the Week of 11/24/22

True or False

Q: God told Noah of the need to destroy the earth a second time with water.

A: False [Genesis 9:11]

Q: An apostle told the people that they had denied Jesus in the presence of Pilate.

A: True [Acts 3:13]

Q: Sergius Paulus is described as wanted to hear the word of God.

A: True [Acts 13:7]

Remember

7 days without prayer make one weak [week]

Questions for the Week of 12/1/22

Multiple Choice

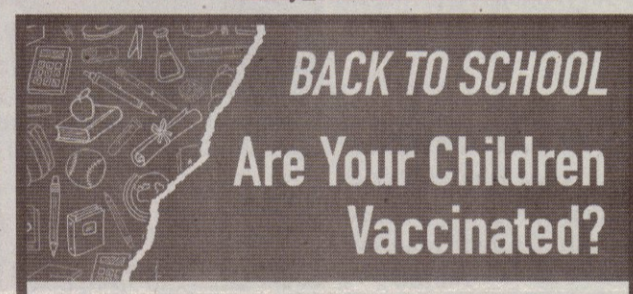
Q: The returned exiles traced their difficulties back to the time of the kings of which country? (Babylon, Assyria, Greece)

Q: God's rescue of His captive people was for the sake of God's holy (temple, mountain, name)?

Today is a good day! Be grateful.
Eria's Daughter, Sue



YOUNG NEWEST DAR MEMBER...Cathy Young (right) was welcomed as the newest member of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution John Coffee Chapter by the John Coffee Membership Chair Nell Gilmer (left). Young's proven lineal descent from an ancestor who gave aid to American colonists during the American Revolution was James Bowdoin of North Carolina. The DAR organization was founded for the purpose of cherishing, maintaining and extending the institutions of American freedom for which Americans fought and died. For more information about DAR membership, contact the John Coffee Registrar Shirley Skinner at 334-301-6063 or shirley_skinner@hotmail.com.



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PUBLIC NOTICES: (continued from Pages 4 & 5)

STATE OF ALABAMA COFFEE COUNTY

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE

Default existing and continuing in the payment of the indebtedness described in and by mortgage dated December 15, 2004 from George E. Abbott, Sr. to Regions Bank, recorded at Mort Book 294, page 66 in the Office of Judge of Probate of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that the said FMM Bushnell, LLC, the holder of said mortgage, will, under the power of sale contained in said mortgage, sell at public auction, for cash to the highest bidder at the front door of the Coffee County Courthouse, Enterprise, Alabama, between the legal hours of sale on the 15th day of December, 2022, the following described property located in said County, to-wit:

Parcel I: A lot or parcel of land located in the City of Enterprise, Coffee County, Alabama and being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at a point where the East R.O.W. of South Watson Street intersects the North R.O.W. of East Park Avenue; thence S88°-39'-30" E along the North R.O.W. of East Park Avenue 152.26 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence continue S88°-39'-30" E along the North R.O.W. of East Park Avenue 160.00 feet to a point; thence N03°-22'-0" E 87.81

feet to a point; thence N87°-33'-10" W 106.11 feet to a point; thence N02°-04'-54" E 45.25 feet to a point; thence N88°-13'-25" W 55.00 feet to a point; thence S02°-26'-26" W 135.49 feet to the Point of Beginning. Said property being located in the SW1/4 of the NE1/4, Section 21, T4N, R22E and containing 0.386 acres more or less.

Less and Except: One lot or parcel of land in the City of Enterprise, Alabama, together with all improvements thereon, which is better described as follows: Beginning at the South East corner of church property formerly known as Assembly of God, now Church of God property, (the original Assembly of God Church property) and running East along North margin of Park Avenue 103 feet, more or less, to property which was formerly owned by Glen Duncan; thence North for a distance of 100 feet, more or less; thence West 103 feet, more or less; thence South 100 feet, more or less, to starting point. This being the same property conveyed to A. B. Bryars by N. W. Thornton as Administrator of the Estate of Mrs. S. E. Edwards, on the 11th day of September, 1936 and also being the same property conveyed by A. B. Bryars and wife, to Fred Taylor on January 12, 1942.

Parcel II: A lot or parcel of land located in the

City of Enterprise, Coffee County, Alabama and being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point where the East R.O.W. of South Watson Street intersects the North R.O.W. of East Park Avenue; thence S88°-39'-30" E along the North R.O.W. of East Park Avenue 152.26 feet to a point; thence N02°-26'-26" E 135.49 feet to a point; thence N88°-13'-25" W 155.04 feet to the East R.O.W. of South Watson Street; thence S01°-16'-01" W along the East R.O.W. of South Watson Street 136.64 feet to the point of beginning. Said property being located in the SW1/4 of the NE1/4, Section 21, T4N, R22E and containing 0.480 acres more or less. Also, known as Tax Parcel # 16-05-21-1-003-029

Property street address for informational purposes: 201 Park Ave., Enterprise, AL 36330.

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Alabama law gives some persons who have an interest in property the right to redeem the property under

certain circumstances. Programs may also exist that help persons avoid or delay the foreclosure process. An attorney should be consulted to help you understand these rights and programs as a part of the foreclosure process.

Said sale is for the purpose of paying the indebtedness, the charges provided for in said mortgage, and the cost of said sale, including a reasonable attorney's fee.

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